

**Town of Chevy Chase**  
**Subcommittee on Regional Growth and Development**  
**Monday, November 23, 2020**  
**7:00 pm, Virtual Meeting**

**Attendees:** Dedun Ingram (chair, LRP); Lees Hartman (chair, LUC); Karen Elkins; Tom Glazer; Ted Kalick; Martha Marmofern; Steve Seidel; David Valenstein; Ellen Cornelius-Ericson (Council liaison); Irene Lane (Council liaison).

1. The minutes from the October 27 meeting were approved.

2. 2020-2024 Growth and Infrastructure Policy (formerly the Subdivision Staging Policy).

The subcommittee was briefed on what had happened with the County Growth Policy (GIP) since its October 27 meeting. The County Council held the final full Council work sessions on the GIP and voted to adopt it on November 16. The residential moratoria for overcrowded schools were eliminated, school UPP fees will be introduced starting at 105% overcrowding, with increased fees at 120% and 135%. The motor vehicle adequacy test was eliminated in Red Policy areas. Despite OMB telling them that the cuts to impact taxes would result in the loss of millions of dollars of revenues, the County Council decided to postpone discussion of increases to the recordation taxes, which were supposed to recoup the loss of revenue due to cuts to the impact taxes. They were warned by OMB not to put this discussion off too long because failure to resolve this would make it difficult for the County Executive to formulate the Capital Improvements Budget.

3. Thrive Montgomery. The subcommittee was briefed on the Town Council's October 27 work session, the November 4 meeting with other communities about Thrive Montgomery, the letter sent to the Planning Board, and the Planning Board public Hearing on November 19.

- At its October 29 work session, the Town Council reviewed the issues the subcommittee had identified. The Town Council agreed with the list of issues.
- At the November 4 meeting with other municipalities and communities, a list of issues to be included in a joint letter to the Planning Board was reviewed, modified, and added to. It was agreed that a letter would be prepared and submitted to all groups on November 9 for their review and approval with a short timeline for subsequent finalization of the letter.
- 26 other municipalities, neighborhood associations, and community groups signed onto the letter that was sent to the Planning Board.
- Irene Lane testified for the Town at the Planning Board's public hearing. About 85 people/groups testified at the hearing. Many people expressed approval of Thrive Montgomery; many listed concerns and issues.

A meeting with Planning Board chair Casey Anderson and Planning Director Gwen Wright will be scheduled for early December. The coalition of municipalities and neighborhood associations who have attended the two earlier meetings will be invited.